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August 18, 2008

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Fisheries Land Acquisition
Atlanta Management Unit – Montmorency County
The Guimond Tract
Land Transaction Case #20080012

Purchase Price: 68.0 acres – \$230,000.00

Description: Montmorency County, Avery Township, T30N, R03E, Section 24: S ½ of S ½ of NW ¼ less that part thereof lying W of the right-of-way of Michigan State Highway M-33; and, the NE ¼ of SW ¼ less all that part thereof lying E and S of the Thunder Bay River and S and W of the Gilchrist Creek.

Seller: Mark and Nancy Guimond, Harrison Township, Michigan

Option Expires: October 12, 2008

Reservation: The seller has reserved the oil and gas rights for a 20-year period.

Property Taxes: The 2007 property taxes were \$852.74.

Authority: Part 5 of Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) September 2, 2008 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on September 9, 2008.

Comments: The offered private parcel is located in southeastern Montmorency County, eight miles east of the Village of Atlanta, within the boundary of the Atlanta Management Unit.

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The irregularly-shaped property is vacant and contains a total of 68.0 acres. The tract displays a generally level to slightly-sloping topography with a forest cover predominated by mixed conifers and hardwoods on the upland areas and lowland conifers on the marginally-drained portions. Of special significance is the fact that the parcel contains 2,100 feet of undeveloped frontage along the Thunder Bay River and 1,000 feet of undeveloped frontage along Gilchrist Creek, at the confluence of these watercourses which are described as providing cool-to-cold water fisheries habitat.

Access is provided by frontage on highway M-33, situated on the westerly boundary of the tract, and Gamblin Road, a county-maintained road, located along the northern boundary of the property. State-owned land adjoins the western portion of this parcel.

Acquisition of this private tract will consolidate ownership, prevent further fractionalization and development, increase public recreational opportunities, and secure additional fisheries and wildlife habitat. Forest, Mineral and Fire Management Division (FMFM) has agreed to incorporate this property as part of the Atlanta Management Unit following completion of the purchase.

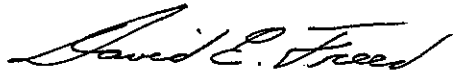
This transaction is another in a series of acquisitions to acquire replacement property for outdoor recreation and natural resource management, using funds from the sale of lands determined to be surplus to the Department's mission, as part of the Land Consolidation Strategy.

The Land Exchange Facilitation Fund (LEFF) Act allows the Department to sell rights in land and deposit the proceeds in a fund which can then be used to acquire replacement property. Funds from the LEFF will be used for this acquisition as approved by the Land Exchange Review Committee on February 28, 2008.

The purchase will include the oil and gas rights owned by the seller but subject to a 20-year term reservation.

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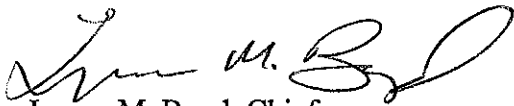
- Recommendations:
1. That this tract be approved for purchase with payment to be made from the LEFF, under authority of Part 21, Act 451 of 1994, as amended.
 2. That the property be administered by the FMFM as part of the Atlanta Management Unit.



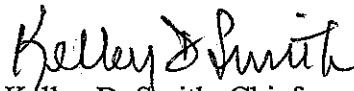
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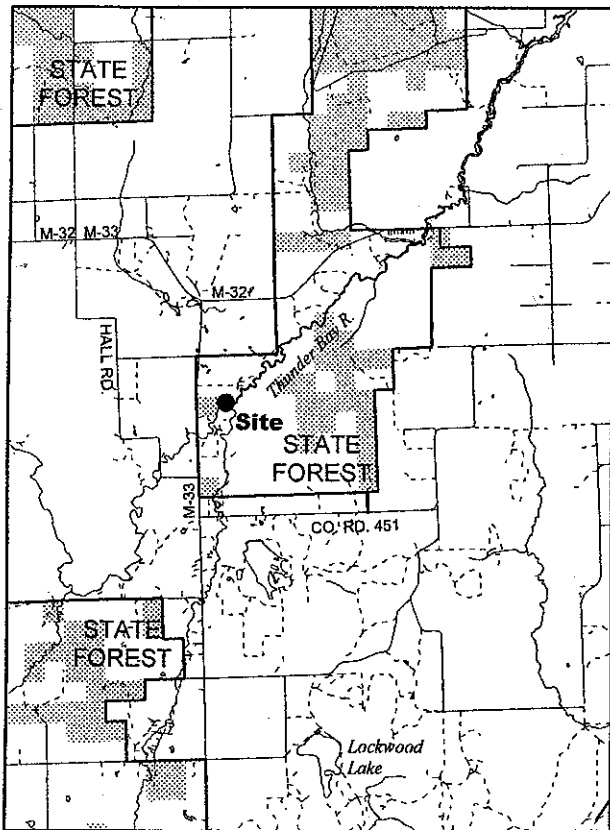
Arminda S. Koch
Resource Management Deputy

I approve the staff recommendation.

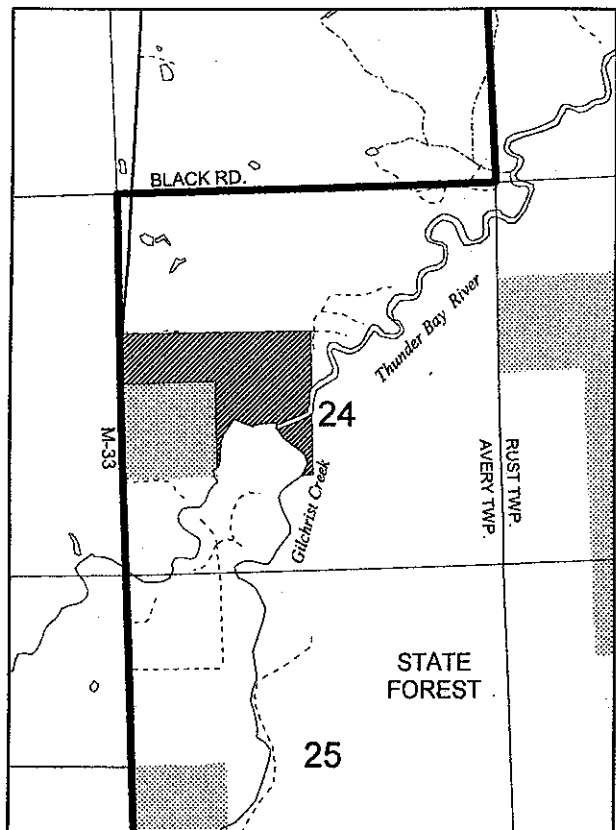
Rebecca A. Humphries
Director

Date Approved

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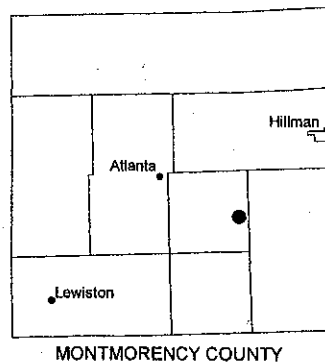


Regional Location



Section 24, T30N, R03E, Avery Township

- State Forest Boundary
- Land Offered to DNR (68.00 acres - \$230,000.00)
- State Land
- Private Land



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